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City Begins Design Process for North Park Mini-Park & Associated Streetscape Improvements

First Community Workshop

SAN DIEGO – The City of San Diego Engineering & Capital Projects Department, Architectural Engineering & Parks Division, announces the first opportunity for the public to participate in the design process for the North Park Mini-Park and Associated Streetscape Improvements Project. The public is invited to attend the first Community Workshop on Saturday, June 4, 2011 at the Sunset Temple Grand Room, Clare De Lune Coffee Lounge, 2906 University Avenue, San Diego, 92104. The workshop will begin at 9:00 a.m. and is scheduled to end at 2:00 p.m.. The Community Workshop is free and open to everyone.

The project includes two components. The first component is the design of a General Development Plan (GDP) for the 0.5 acre North Park Mini-Park, located directly behind the North Park Theatre, and bordered by Granada Avenue, North Park Way, and 29th Street. The park location will provide a connection between the residential neighborhoods to the south and the business district centered at 30th Street and University Avenue. The park will be designed to serve as a central gathering space for passive recreational uses, reflecting the surrounding area's intensive urban character.

The second component of the project is a Master Plan for associated streetscapes to include: 29th Street from University Avenue to North Park Way; Granada Avenue for University Avenue to North Park Way; Utah Street from University Avenue to Gunn Street; and North Park Way from 29th Street to Utah Street. The streetscapes Master Plan will include recommendations and guidelines on design components such as tree grates, seating, landscape and plant palette, signage, lighting, and more. The enhanced streetscapes will tie the North Park Mini-Park, the future Jefferson Elementary School Joint Use Improvements, and the business district together.

Further community workshops are planned for Fall 2011. For more information, contact Todd Schmit, Park Designer, at (619) 533-4620.

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